

Jefferson	Moore	Shadegg
Jenkins	Moran (KS)	Shaw
John	Moran (VA)	Shays
Johnson (CT)	Morella	Sherman
Johnson (IL)	Murtha	Sherwood
Johnson, E. B.	Myrick	Shimkus
Johnson, Sam	Nadler	Shows
Jones (NC)	Napolitano	Simmons
Jones (OH)	Neal	Simpson
Kanjorski	Nethercutt	Sisisky
Kaptur	Ney	Skeen
Keller	Northup	Skelton
Kelly	Norwood	Slaughter
Kennedy (MN)	Nussle	Smith (MI)
Kennedy (RI)	Oberstar	Smith (NJ)
Kerns	Obey	Smith (TX)
Kildee	Olver	Smith (WA)
Kilpatrick	Ortiz	Snyder
Kind (WI)	Osborne	Solis
King (NY)	Ose	Souder
Kingston	Otter	Spence
Kirk	Owens	Spratt
Klecza	Oxley	Stark
Knollenberg	Pallone	Stearns
Kolbe	Pascarell	Stenholm
Kucinich	Pastor	Strickland
LaFalce	Payne	Stump
LaHood	Pelosi	Stupak
Lampson	Pence	Sununu
Langevin	Peterson (MN)	Sweeney
Lantos	Peterson (PA)	Tancred
Largent	Petri	Tanner
Larsen (WA)	Phelps	Tauscher
Larson (CT)	Pickering	Tauzin
Latham	Pitts	Taylor (MS)
LaTourette	Platts	Taylor (NC)
Leach	Pombo	Terry
Lee	Pomeroy	Thomas
Levin	Portman	Thompson (CA)
Lewis (CA)	Price (NC)	Thompson (MS)
Lewis (GA)	Pryce (OH)	Thornberry
Lewis (KY)	Putnam	Thune
Linder	Radanovich	Thurman
Lipinski	Rahall	Tiahrt
LoBiondo	Ramstad	Tiberi
Lofgren	Rangel	Tierney
Lowey	Regula	Toomey
Lucas (KY)	Rehberg	Towns
Lucas (OK)	Reyes	Trafficant
Luther	Reynolds	Turner
Maloney (CT)	Riley	Udall (CO)
Manzullo	Rivers	Udall (NM)
Markey	Rodriguez	Upton
Mascara	Roemer	Velazquez
Matheson	Rogers (MI)	Vislosky
Matsui	Rohrabacher	Vitter
McCarthy (MO)	Ros-Lehtinen	Walden
McCarthy (NY)	Ross	Walsh
McCollum	Roukema	Wamp
McCrery	Roybal-Allard	Waters
McDermott	Royce	Watkins
McGovern	Rush	Watt (NC)
McHugh	Ryan (WI)	Watts (OK)
McIntyre	Ryan (KS)	Waxman
McKeon	Sabo	Weiner
McKinney	Sanchez	Weldon (PA)
McNulty	Sanders	Weller
Meehan	Sandlin	Wexler
Meek (FL)	Sawyer	Whitfield
Meeks (NY)	Saxton	Wicker
Menendez	Scarborough	Wilson
Mica	Schaffer	Wolf
Millender-	Schakowsky	Woolsey
McDonald	Schiff	Wu
Miller (FL)	Schrock	Wynn
Miller, Gary	Scott	Young (AK)
Miller, George	Sensenbrenner	Young (FL)
Mink	Serrano	
Mollohan	Sessions	

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Paul

NOT VOTING—19

Becerra	Cooksey	Moakley
Bono	Fattah	Quinn
Brown (FL)	Greenwood	Rogers (KY)
Buyer	Grucci	Rothman
Calvert	Hefley	Weldon (FL)
Cannon	Maloney (NY)	
Conyers	McInnis	

□ 1839

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GRUCCI. Madam Speaker, due to the death of my mother-in-law, Mrs. Carmella Fierro, I was unable to participate in today's recorded votes. However, I would have voted in the affirmative on each of the three suspension bills on today's agenda:

H.J. Res. 7 Recognizing the 90th Birthday of Ronald Reagan, H.R. 395 Ronald Reagan Post Office Designation, and H. Res. 28 Honoring the Contributions of Catholic Schools.

AUTHORIZING THE SPEAKER TO ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2001

Mr. WAMP. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Speaker be authorized to entertain a motion to suspend the rules relating to H.R. 132 on Wednesday, February 7, 2001.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Tennessee?

There was no objection.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2001, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

PRESIDENT REAGAN TURNS 90

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. GUTKNECHT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Madam Speaker, tonight we celebrate the 90th birthday of President Ronald Reagan, and I would like to read some lines from a column that appeared on Sunday in the London Times in London, England. It was written by Andrew Sullivan, and frankly I cannot say this better than he did about a President that I have admired literally for many, many years. Let me read and I quote: "He will turn 90 on Tuesday, but in all likelihood he will barely be aware of it. The cruelty of Alzheimer's has robbed Ronald Reagan of the capacity for clear memory. But that doesn't apply to the rest of us.

"He seems, in some respects, a historical oddity now, his political and cultural presence obscured by the Clinton psychodrama and the Bush dynasty. But his successors do not begin to compare—either in achievement or legacy."

□ 1845

Madam Speaker, Reagan stood for two simple but indisputably big things: the expansion of freedom at home and the extinction of tyranny abroad. He achieved both.

When he came into office, the top tax rates in the United States were 70 percent. Against all odds, Reagan slashed the top rate to 28 percent and ignited the economic boom that is still with us.

He was right about taxation and the role of government. He was also right about the other great question of his day, the Soviet Union.

I will never forget the moment I heard his "evil empire" speech. It was broadcast on Radio 4 with skeptical British commentary about this inflammatory new president who knew nothing about the complexities of communism.

But for all the criticism, what came through in my teenage brain was the actual truth. Yes, the Soviet Union was evil. Who now doubts that? He alone saw that communism was destined to be put on the ash heap of history, as he told the House of Commons, and he helped put it there.

Think of Tony Blair and Bill Clinton. In the 1980s, they were nuclear freeze supporters; and yet both now thoughtlessly enjoy the soft and easy fruits of a greater man's courage.

The critics harp on the economic deficits of the Reagan era, but the truth is that the Federal revenue boomed on Reagan's watch. What created the deficits was an unprecedented increase in defense spending, the bargaining chip that eventually forced the Soviets to surrender.

The end of the welfare entitlement was also presaged by Reagan. Reagan's unlikely dream, the nuclear missile defense, is also still with us. Lampposted as "Star Wars," it will soon regain the pre-eminence it deserves in American military defense, as Donald Rumsfeld aggressively moves it forward.

He was devoted to his second wife with a romantic zeal, wore a coat and tie at all times in the Oval Office, a room he considered sacred.

Madam Speaker, it takes time to recognize greatness and sometimes it appears in the oddest forms. When he dies, this country will go into shock. For Americans know in their hearts that this unlikely man understood the deepest meaning of their country in a way nobody else has done for a generation.

Madam Speaker, I remember when Ronald Reagan, just outside of this Capitol, stepped aboard Marine One for the last time and saluted back and left the presidency. I remember turning to my wife and saying, "He was a long time coming. He will be a long time gone."

Mr. President, on behalf of a grateful Nation, let me say, thank you, God bless you, and happy birthday.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Madam Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GUTKNECHT. I yield to the gentleman from California.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Madam Speaker, I so much appreciate my colleague for taking a moment to express